





Mandatory safety equipment for cyclists

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| Belgique / België | BE | | | | | We recommend the use of fluorescent jacket (MDA vests in schools by the Secretary of State) and helmets for cyclists. |
| България (Bulgaria) | BG | | | | | |
| Česká republika | CZ | * | yes ** | | | * Recommended; ** Mandatory for cyclists < 18 years, recommended for others |
| Danmark | DK | | | | | |
| Deutschland | DE | | | | | |
| Eesti | EE | * | ** | | | * Wearing of helmet and reflecting garments recommended **Use of helmets by cyclists under 16 years old are coming into force on 1 January 2011. |
| Ελλάδα (Elláda) | EL | | | | | |
| España | ES | | yes * | | | * Only outside build up areas. Not compulsory in case of high temperature or long upward slopes |
| France | FR | yes * | | | | * Outside urban areas at night or when visibility is poor (for driver & passenger) |
| Éire/Ireland | IE | | | | | |
| Island | IS | | yes * | | | * Mandatory for cyclists < 15 years |
| Italia | IT | yes | yes | | | * Extraurban areas and in cases of poor visibility (i.e.tunnel) |
| Κύπρος (Κυπρος) / Kibris | CY | | | | | |
| Latvija | LV | * | * | | | * Recommended |
| Lietuva | LT | yes | yes* | | | * Mandatory for cyclists < 18 years; recommended for elderly persons |
| Luxembourg | LU | | | | | |
| Magyarország | HU | yes * | | | | * Bicyclists (driving a bicycle or pushing it) shall wear such garment on roads outside built up areas at night-time and at restricted visual conditions |
| Malta | MT | yes * | ** | | | * In the darkness; ** Recommended |
| Nederland | NL | | * | | | * Recommended |
| Norge | NO | | | | | |
| Österreich | AT | | yes* | | | * for children below the age of 12 |
| Polska | PL | | | | | |
| Portugal | PT | | | | | |
| România | RO | | * | | | * Recommended |
| Schweiz / Suisse / Svizzera | CH | | | | | |
| Slovenija | SI | | yes | | | |
| Slovensko | SK | | | | | Helmet mandatory everywhere for cyclists under 15 years. Outside urban areas helmet mandatory for cyclists older than 15 years. Reflective materials mandatory for cyclists when visibility is reduced |
| Suomi / Finland | FI | yes * | | | | * All cyclists, everywhere and always (however, no enforcement) |
| Sverige | SE | yes * | | | | * Mandatory for cyclists < 15 years |
| United Kingdom | UK | | | | | |

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